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**UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL (37 CFR. § 1.53(b))**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir: This is a request for filing a patent application under 37 CFR. § 1.53(b) in the name of inventors:  
**JEAN-MARC GERY**

For: **3-RING MAGNETIC ANTI-GRAVITY SUPPORT**

Assigned to: Nikon Corporation, Japan

**Application Elements:**

- ☒ 17 Pages of Specification, Claims and Abstract
- ☒ 7 Sheets of Formal Drawings
- ☒ 2 Pages Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney

**Accompanying Application Parts:**

- ☐ Do not publish this application. Nonpublication Request is attached.
- ☒ Assignment and Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet (recording fee of \$40.00 enclosed)
- ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement by Assignee
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO-1449
- ☒ Copies of IDS Citations
- ☐ Preliminary Amendment
- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard
- ☐ Other:

Fee Calculation (37 CFR § 1.16)

☐ Applicant is entitled to Small Entity Status under 37 C.F.R. §1.27.

|   | (Col. 1)<br>Total Claims |       | (Col. 2)<br>Claims | (Col. 3)<br>Present Extra | Rate    | Additional Fee |
|---|--------------------------|-------|--------------------|---------------------------|---------|----------------|
| TOTAL   | 31                       | MINUS | 20                 | = 11                      | x 18 =  | \$198          |
| INDEP.  | 3                        | MINUS | 3                  | = 0                       | x 84 =  | -0-            |
| [ ] First presentation of multiple dependent claim    |                          |       |                    |                           | \$280 = |                |
| Basic Filing Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.16(a)             |                          |       |                    |                           | \$740 = | \$740.00       |
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General Authorization for Petition for Extension of Time (37 CFR §1.136)

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